

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A handle which includes a handle member pivotally coupled to a base and a locking mechanism which releasably locks the handle member in a first position relative to the base said first position corresponding to an in-use position of the handle member, the locking mechanism including a moveable locking member within the handle member, said locking member, in use, being movable between a locking position where ~~it~~the locking member performs a blocking action between the handle member and the base to prevent pivotal movement of the handle member relative to the base and a release position where said blocking action is removed to release, ~~and~~ the handle member, wherein, in use, the handle member can be pivoted to a second position, the locking member being coupled to a push button located~~accessible~~ at an exterior surface of the handle member the push button being operable, in use of the handle, wherein a pushing action applied to the push button causes the locking member to move to said release position.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): ~~A~~The handle as claimed in claim 1, wherein the push button includes a head which is slidingly located in a recess in the handle member.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): ~~A~~The handle as claimed in claim 2, wherein ~~the~~a peripheral shape of the recess substantially corresponds to ~~the~~a peripheral shape of the button.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): ~~A~~The handle as claimed in claim 1, wherein the locking member is biased into said locking position by a biasing mechanism.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): ~~A~~The handle as claimed in claim 4, wherein the biasing mechanism includes a leaf spring.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): ~~A~~The handle as claimed in claim 5, wherein the leaf spring is fixed to the locking member and has a distal end which engages with a part of the handle member.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): ~~A~~The handle as claimed in claim 1, further including a stop to prevent movement of the locking member under action of the biasing mechanism from moving beyond the locking position.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): ~~A~~The handle as claimed in claim 7, wherein the stop is a lip projecting from the locking member and engaged~~able~~ with an engagement surface of the handle member when the handle member is in the first position.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): ~~A~~The handle as claimed in claim 1, wherein the blocking action is created by the locking member having a locking portion which engages between a surface of the pivot base and a part of the handle member when the locking member is in said locking position.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): ~~A~~The handle as claimed in claim 9, wherein the locking member further includes a profiled ~~portion~~position which provides a clearance between the locking portion and the pivot base when the locking member is in the release position.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): ~~A~~The handle as claimed in claim 10, wherein the profiled portion includes a contact surface which contacts a profiled surface of the pivot base during movement of the handle between the first and second positions.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): ~~A~~The handle as claimed in claim 11, wherein the push ~~bottom~~button includes a head which is slidingly located in a recess in the handle member, the peripheral shape of the recess substantially corresponding to the peripheral shape of the button.

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): ~~A~~The handle as claimed in claim 12, wherein the recess includes a contact surface which is contacted by the head when the locking member is in the release position.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): ~~A~~The handle as claimed in claim 12, wherein the locking member is biased into the locking position by a biasing mechanism.

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): ~~A~~The handle as claimed in claim 14, wherein the biasing mechanism is a spring located between the locking member and the handle member.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): ~~A~~The handle as claimed in claim 14, further including a stop to prevent movement of the locking member under action of the biasing mechanism from moving beyond the locking position.

Claim 17 (Currently Amended): ~~A~~The handle as claimed in claim 16, wherein the stop is a lip projecting from the locking member and engaged~~able~~ with an engagement surface of the handle member when the handle member is in the first position.

Claim 18 (Currently Amended): ~~A~~The handle as claimed in claim 17, wherein the lip projects from the locking portion and the engagement surface is formed by a wall in the handle member, said wall further forming a second engagement surface, the locking portion of the locking member being located between second engagement surface and the pivot base to create the blocking action.